

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-02584-RCL**

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Assigned to: Judge Royce C. Lamberth
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/27/2019
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/27/2019	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-6344727) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil

		Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons U.S. Attorney, # <u>3</u> Summons U.S. Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons U.S. Department of State)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 08/27/2019)
08/27/2019	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 08/27/2019)
08/30/2019		Case assigned to Judge Royce C. Lamberth. (zmc) (Entered: 08/30/2019)
08/30/2019	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zmc) (Entered: 08/30/2019)
09/09/2019	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 9/9/2019. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 10/9/2019.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 9/9/2019., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE served on 9/9/2019 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 09/09/2019)
09/30/2019	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Chris Fedeli on behalf of JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Fedeli, Chris) (Entered: 09/30/2019)
10/09/2019	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(Clark, Denise) (Entered: 10/09/2019)
10/31/2019	<u>7</u>	VACATED PURSUANT TO ORDER <u>2</u>ORDER: Local Rule 16.3(b)(10) exempts parties to a FOIA action from typical scheduling order requirements. Instead, the government has the burden to produce a Vaughn index with a supporting dispositive motion. So the Court ORDERS the government to file the index and supporting motion within thirty days. Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 10/31/2019. (lcrl2,) Modified on 11/7/2019 (lsj). (Entered: 10/31/2019)
11/05/2019	<u>8</u>	Joint MOTION to Vacate <i>Briefing Schedule</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Clark, Denise) (Entered: 11/05/2019)
11/07/2019	<u>9</u>	ORDER granting <u>8</u> Motion to Vacate Briefing Schedule. Defendant will make its first release of responsive records no later than January 8, 2020, and the parties will file a further Joint Status Report no later than January 16, 2020. Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 11/06/2019. (lcrl2) (Entered: 11/07/2019)
11/07/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/16/2020 (lsj) (Entered: 11/07/2019)
11/27/2019	<u>10</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Michelle D. Jackson on behalf of All Defendants Substituting for attorney Denise M. Clark (Jackson, Michelle) (Entered: 11/27/2019)